

RECOMMENDATION FOR THE HOFU CULTURAL EXCHANGE STUDENT

(Minimum of three Recommendations are required, two of which are to be from your high school)

Dear Reference:

In the selection process of a student for the Hofu Cultural Exchange Program, we are looking for mature young people who will be good representatives of Monroe County and their school. This recommendation will help us in finding the best possible candidates for this program. Therefore, we would greatly appreciate your cooperation by completing this questionnaire or submitting a letter of recommendation. **Please place this completed form/recommendation letter in an envelope and sign the seal.** You can return it to the student or mail it ASAP to: MIFA, P.O. Box 332, Monroe, MI 48161.

Please type or print in black ink.

Student's Name _____

Your Name _____ Your Position _____

How do you know this student? _____

How long have you known the student? _____

May we contact you for further information? Yes No Phone # _____

Recommendations:

Thank you for your cooperation.

SIGNATURE _____ **DATE** _____

(Add an additional sheet if necessary)

MIFA CULTURAL EXCHANGE PROGRAM

HOFU, JAPAN 2018

STUDENT ESSAY

Directions:

Your essay is the most important part of your application. Make your essay as friendly and personal as possible.

The selection committee wants to know:

- Why do you want to participate in this Cultural Exchange?
- Why do you want to be an exchange student?
- Why do you want to go Japan?
- What do you expect to gain?
- What skills do you have to help you represent Monroe?
- What do you hope to learn about Japanese culture and what do you plan to share with the host families about American culture?

The essay should be typed, or neatly written in ink. Attach the essay page(s) to this application.

I would like to apply for this program and if selected agree to abide by the rules of the organization.

Signature of Student Applicant

Date

My child has my permission to apply for this student exchange program. I understand a \$500 deposit will be required within 2 weeks of notification of acceptance into program.

Signature of Parent or Guardian

Date